

1480.—Uniform—Naval Ratings—Free Divers—Badges

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With reference to A.F.O. 1693/58 (*Training—Diving—Introduction of New Diving Qualification of "Free Diver"*) ratings qualified as Free Divers are to wear a badge consisting of a Diver's helmet with a letter F below, on the right cuff, in addition to their Branch badges except that this badge will not be worn on white uniform by C.P.Os.

2. Stocks of the new badges are now available and may be demanded from the Superintending Victualling Store Officer, Admiralty Storage Depot (Victualling), Risley, Warrington. Vocabulary numbers are as follows:—

31341	Gold
32341	Red
30341	Embroidered Blue

An initial free issue to the undermentioned scale is to be made to all ratings at present qualified as Free Divers and to those who qualify in future:—

Gold	1 No.
Red	1 No.
Embroidered Blue ..	2 No. (only to Petty Officers and below whose compulsory kit includes two white uniform suits).

3. The Uniform Regulations (Ratings) will be amended.

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*(Appendix to the Navy List—Uniform Regulations—Ratings.)**(A.F.O. 1693/58.)*